CLAIMS

1. A compound of formula (1)

$$R^4$$
 R^2
 CI
 R^2
 $O-(CH_2)$ nCONH-Z

- wherein R^1 , R^2 , R^3 and R^4 may be the same or different and represent chlorine or hydrogen, n is an integer from 1 to 10, and Z represents an amino acid residue or peptide.
 - 2. An immunoassay standard for dioxins comprising a compound of formula (1)

$$R^{4}$$
 R^{2}
 CI
 R^{2}
 $O-(CH_{2})nCONH-Z$
 R^{3}

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wherein R^1 , R^2 , R^3 and R^4 may be the same or different and represent chlorine or hydrogen, n is an integer from 1 to 10, and Z represents an amino acid residue or peptide.

- 3. An immunoassay kit for dioxins comprising the compound of claim 1.
 - 4. A kit according to claim 3, further comprising an anti-dioxins antibody.

- 5. A kit according to claim 3 or 4, further comprising a competitive antigen.
- 6. An immunoassay method for quantitative determination of dioxins, the method using the compound of claim 1 as a standard.
- 7. An immunoassay method according to claim 6 selected from the group consisting of enzyme immunoassay, radioactive immunoassay and fluoroimmunoassay.
- 8. An immunoassay method for determining the dioxins concentration of a sample and calculating the TEQ, the method using the compound of claim 1 as a standard.
 - 9. An immunoassay method according to claim 8 selected from the group consisting of enzyme immunoassay, radioactive immunoassay and fluoroimmunoassay.
- 10. An immunoassay method for dioxins comprising the following steps:

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- (1) reacting a sample with an anti-dioxin antibody to determine the amount of antigen reacted with the antibody; and
- 20 (2) comparing the amount of antigen reacted with the antibody in step (1) with that determined by allowing a known concentration of the compound of claim 1 to react with the anti-dioxin antibody to compute the dioxins concentration in the sample.
- 25 11. An immunoassay method according to claim 10

wherein the amount of antigen reacted with the antibody is determined by a method selected from enzyme immunoassay, radioactive immunoassay and fluoroimmunoassay.